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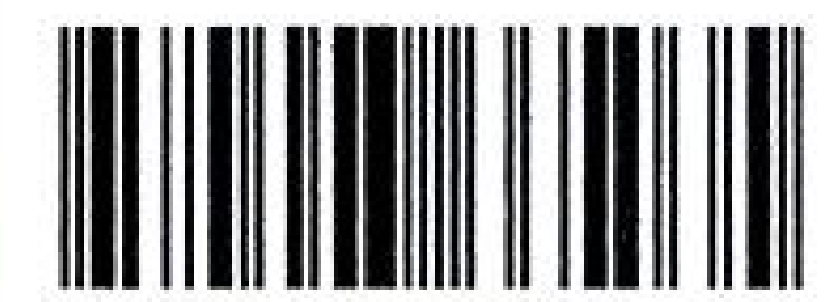
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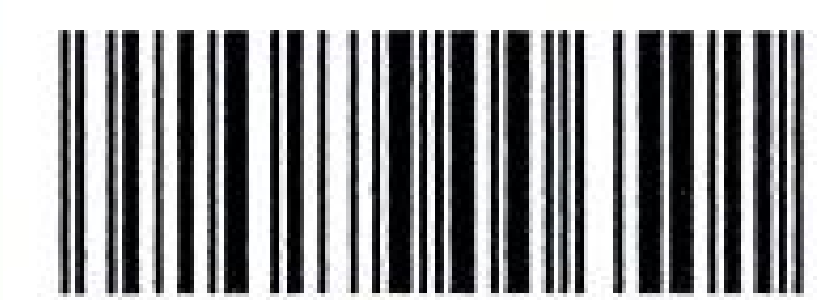
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*"My memories with you, even  
now, are still stuck inside me and  
I can't put them into words."*

The band is starting to take off towards their first live. Mafuyu's in charge of writing lyrics, but he can't find the right words and remains unable to write anything. Uenoyama, who knows about Mafuyu's past, doesn't know what to do after realizing his feelings for Mafuyu. This story is about a fledgling band and exposing the past...

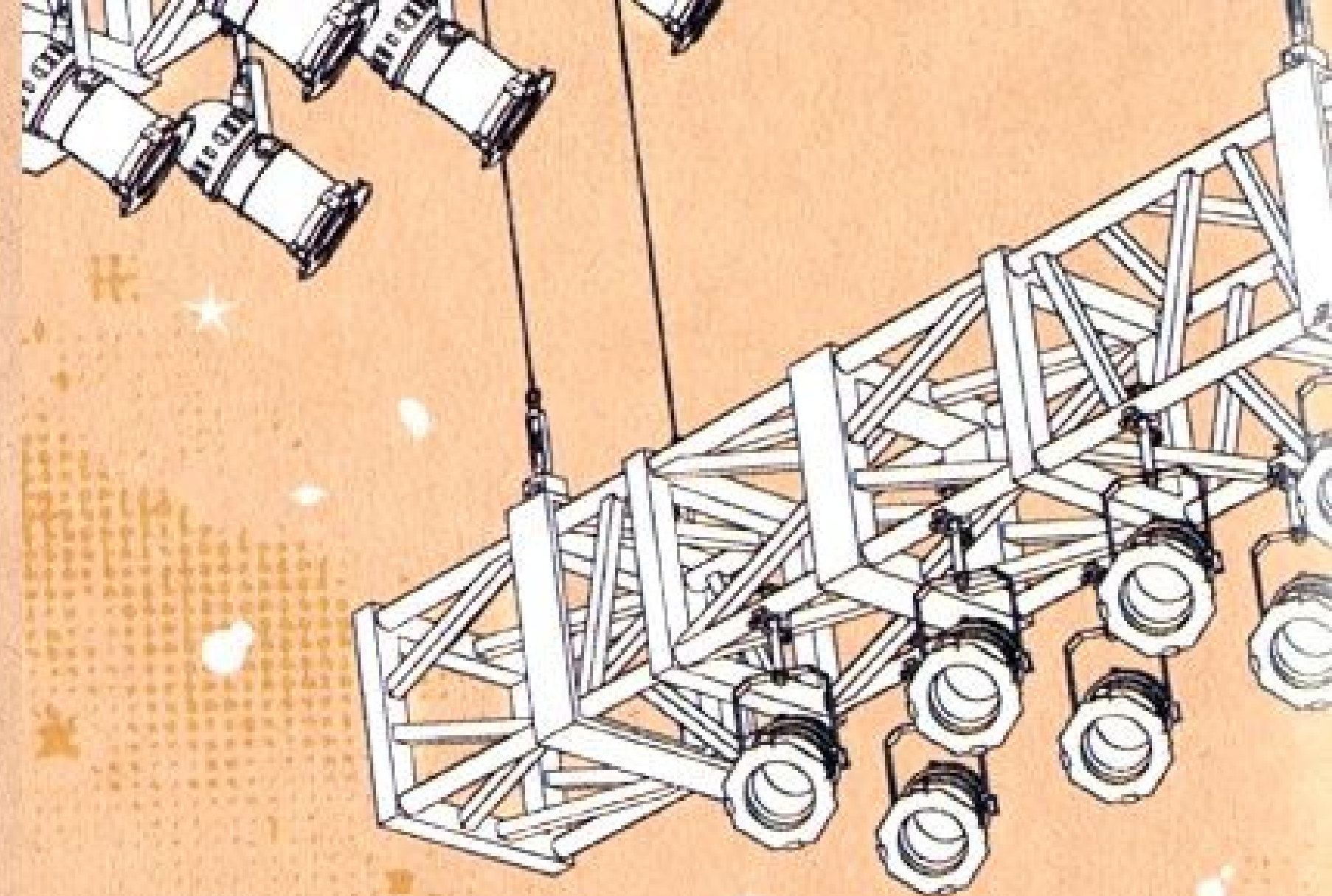




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# PROFILE

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Birthday

7/14

Horoscope

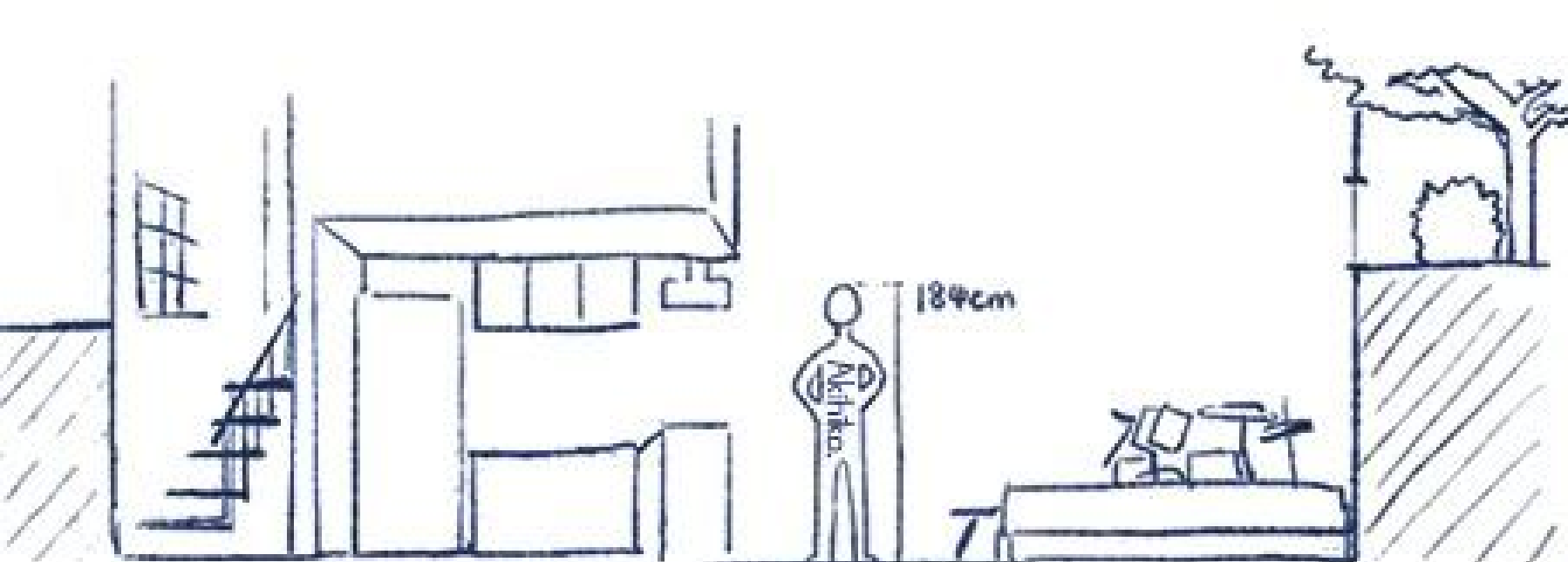
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Blood type

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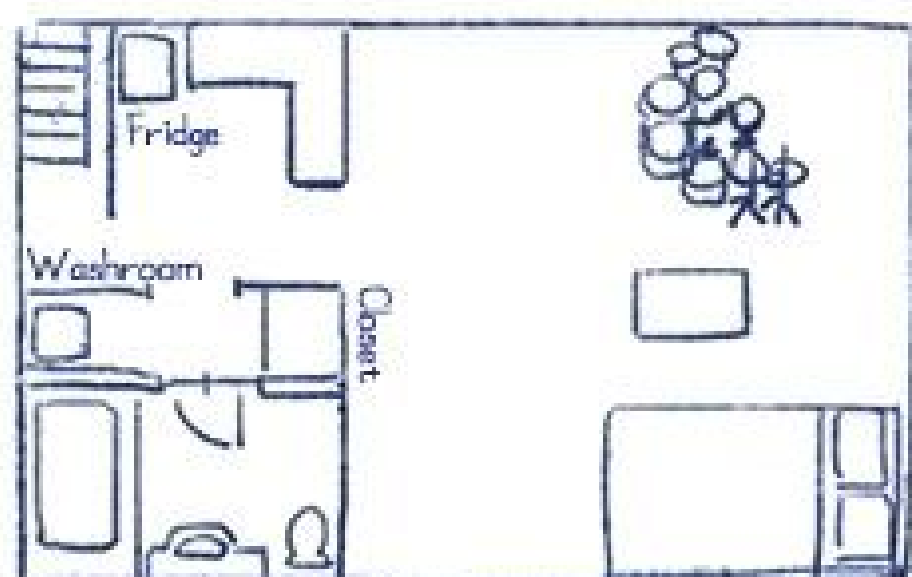






Akihiko's semi-basement type house.

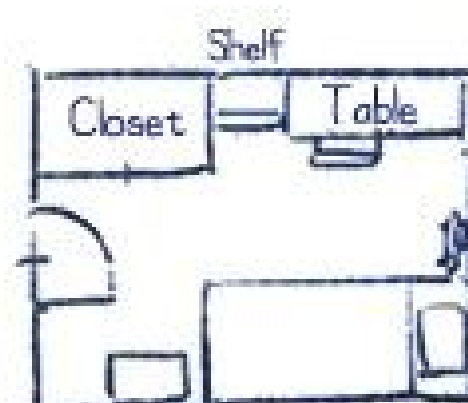
It's like a closed room, so he can play as much as he wants.



Super rough semi-basement with stairs layout.

Akihiko's radio.

He's the type who doesn't have a TV at home.



Rough layout.

Science student.

Uenoyama's grades at school are around the lower-middle  $\uparrow \downarrow$  rank. Mafuyu is the same and he also takes the science course.

Uenoyama's room. The private room for the youngest child is small.

**BONUS**  
MISCELLANEOUS  
PREFERENCES  
COLLECTION.

Haruki's part-time job

According to Akihiko, it's a 'somewhat stylish cafe'.

But Akihiko admires him for being able to make coffee using a siphon.





Munchkin cat

Pomeranian

Squirrel

Mathathi



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metropolitan area. Everyone-sama  
who helped with the gathering  
of information

RUMBLE









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## Story

### Satou Mafuyu:

He's from the same school as Uenoyama. He's got a really impressive singing voice. Ever since he asked Uenoyama to fix his guitar for him, he's become emotionally attached to Uenoyama.

### Nakayama Haruki

A University student. Bassist in Uenoyama's band. An extremely good-natured person.

### Kaji Akihiko

A University student. Drummer in Uenoyama's band. Anyway, he's a popular guy.

High school student Uenoyama Ritsuka meets Satou Mafuyu, who was sleeping while holding a broken guitar on the stairs at school, his secret place for taking a nap. After having Uenoyama fix his guitar for him, Mafuyu asks him to teach him to play it.

Unable to reject his persistent requests, Uenoyama unwillingly teaches him, but gets quite a shock after hearing Mafuyu's singing voice. After inviting Mafuyu into his band with Kaji Akihiko and Nakayama Haruki, they start composing songs for their first live, but Mafuyu can't come up with any lyrics.

One day, Uenoyama hears a rumor about Mafuyu when he was at his previous school: he used to date a guy who ended up committing suicide.

### Uenoyama Ritsuka

He's got really good guitar playing skills despite being just a high schooler. He's a considerate and compassionate guy. He's been trained thoroughly by his sister, Yayoi. A genuine younger brother among younger brothers.





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I ALWAYS  
THOUGHT...

...THAT  
LOVE...

...WAS  
SOMETHING  
TENDER,

キツナツキ  
デグン



SWEET,

AND  
AFFECTION-  
NATE.





I  
REALIZED...

...THAT  
WAS ONLY  
A PLAUSIBLE  
DELUSION...

...WHEN I  
EXPERIENCED  
MY FIRST  
LOVE.

LOVING SOMEONE  
FEELS JUST LIKE  
SOME SORT OF  
VIOLENCE TEARING  
ME INTO PIECES.

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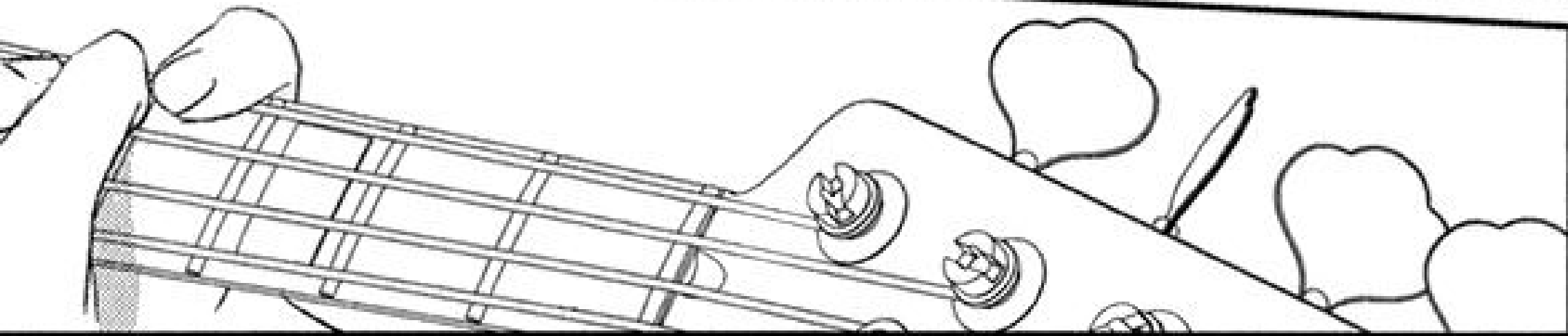
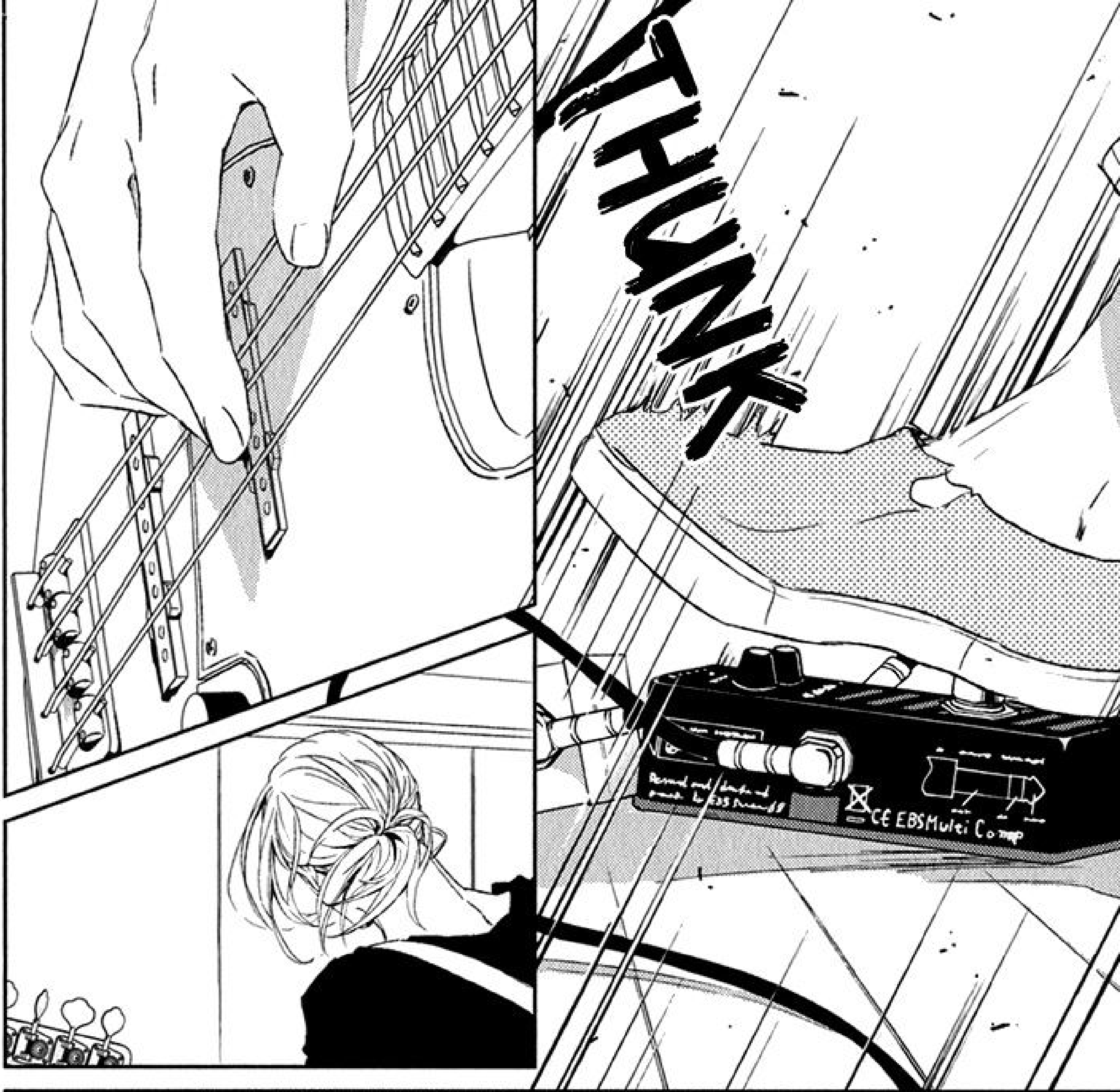
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WHAT DO  
YOU THINK  
OF THAT  
STYLE?

TO BE  
HONEST, I  
LIKE IT BETTER  
THAN BEFORE.

I KNOW,  
RIGHT?



THIS  
GUY...

AAHH...



HE'S ON  
FIRE!



HARUKI'S  
BEEN IN  
TOP FORM  
THESE  
DAYS.

That's sexual  
harassment!!

Sexual  
harassment,  
you know!!

THE ONE  
WHO'S  
IN BAD  
SHAPE  
IS...



AKIHIKO!

HOORAY~  
HARUKI-SAN.  
HOORAY☆



UGH!

BAM



EVER SINCE  
THEN, MAFUYU  
HASN'T WRIT-  
TEN EVEN A  
SINGLE LYRIC.

THESE  
GUYS.

STILL,  
THAT'S TO BE  
EXPECTED.

HIS GUITAR  
PLAYING  
IS ALSO  
LACKLUSTER,  
LIKE IT'S  
AFFECTED BY  
HIS MOOD.

HOW COME  
YOU'RE ALSO IN  
A BAD WAY?

BUT  
UENOYAMA,



WHAT THE  
HECK WAS  
THAT JUST  
NOW?

AH,

CALM  
DOWN...

DO  
YOU EVEN  
WANT TO  
DO THIS?



HEY,  
HEY...

HAVE  
YOU BEEN  
PRACTICING  
PROPERLY?



MAFLYU,



IF YOU'RE  
NOT UP FOR  
IT, THEN  
JUST-

HEY,  
NOW!

STOP!



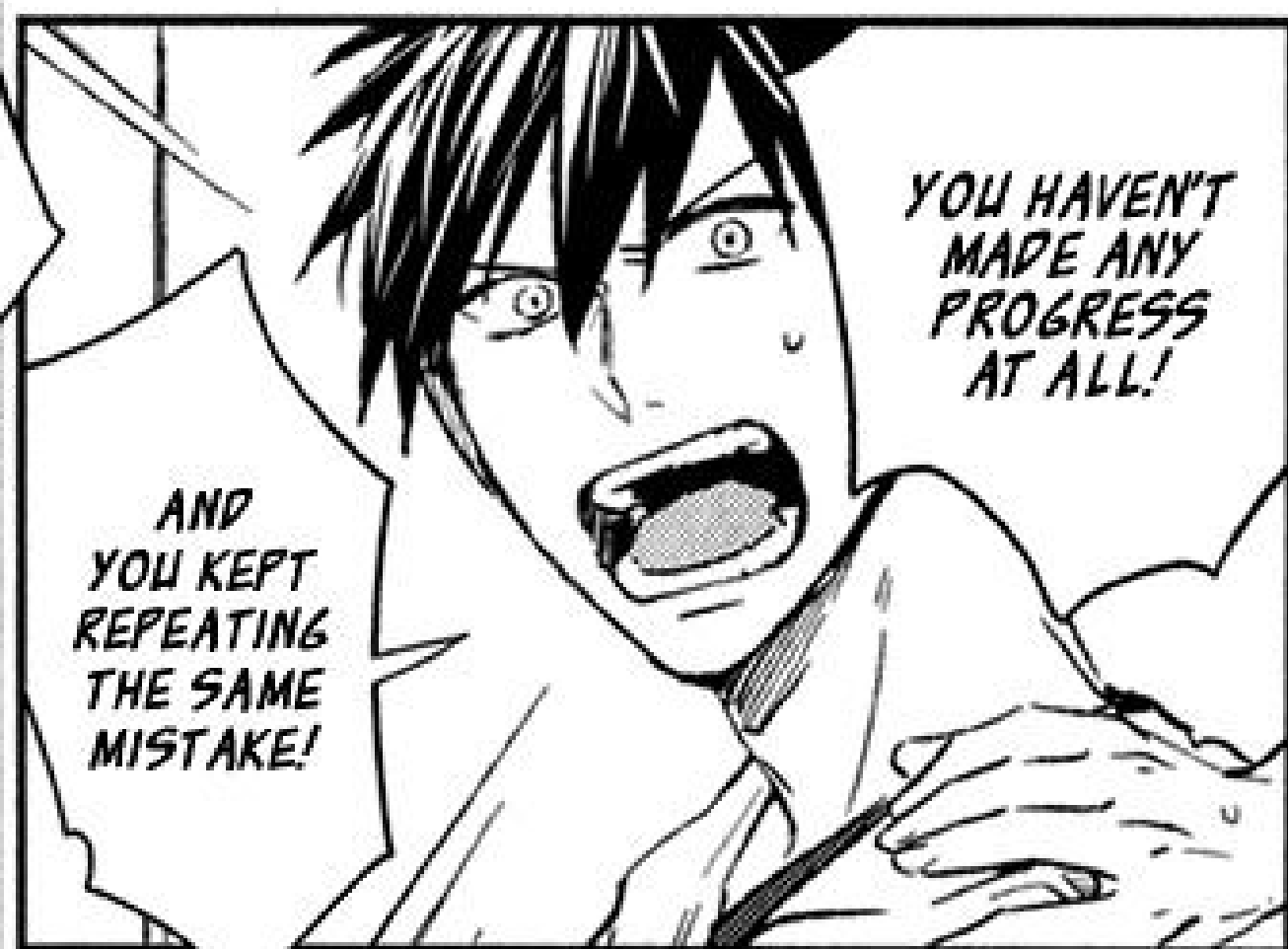
I DO!

WHAT?

HOLD-

HOLD  
IT!

grab'



YOU HAVEN'T  
MADE ANY  
PROGRESS  
AT ALL!

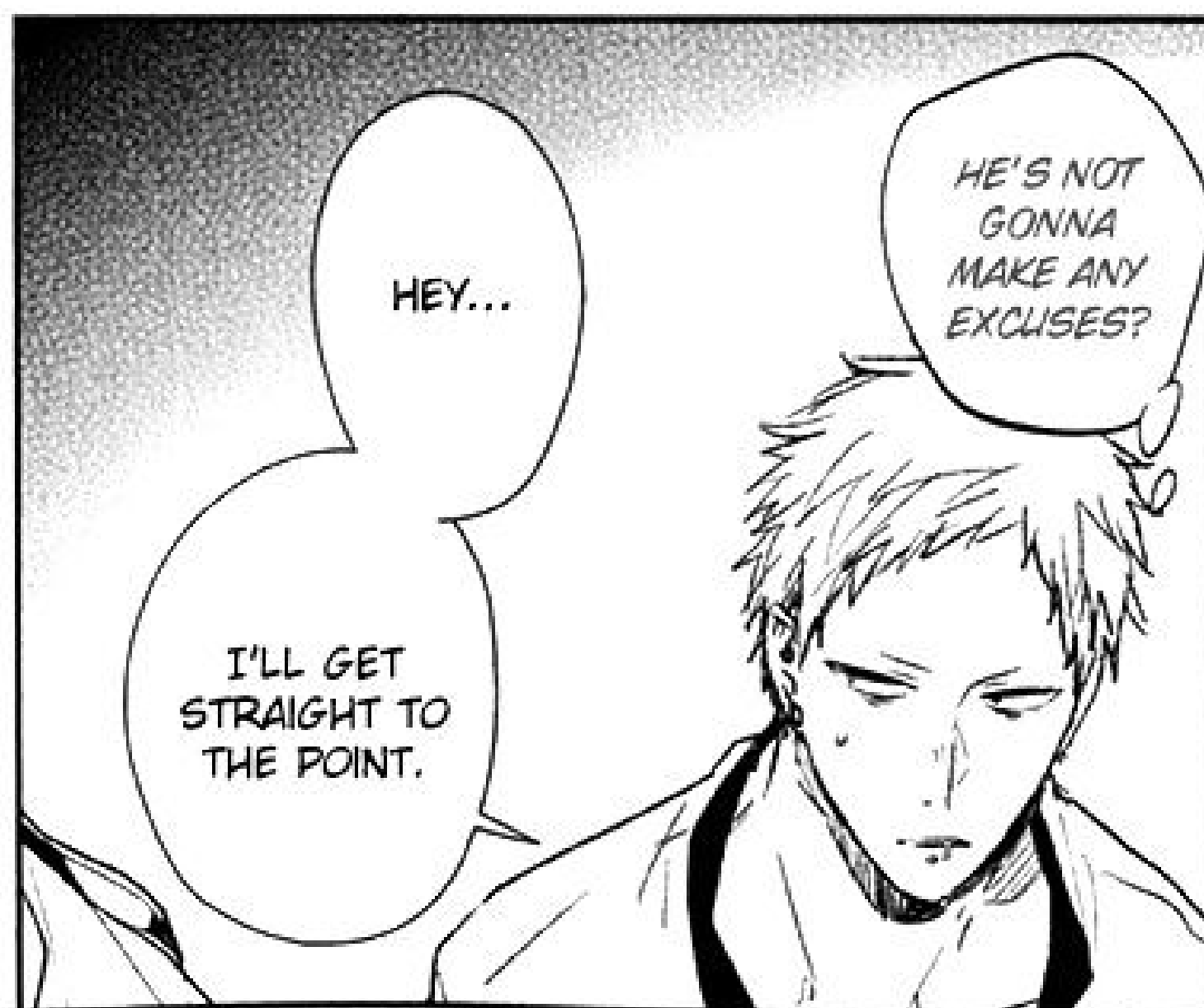
AND  
YOU KEPT  
REPEATING  
THE SAME  
MISTAKE!













WELL...

JUST  
ASKING...

lean in



DID  
SOME-  
THING...

...HAPPEN  
BETWEEN  
YOU AND  
MAFLIYU?

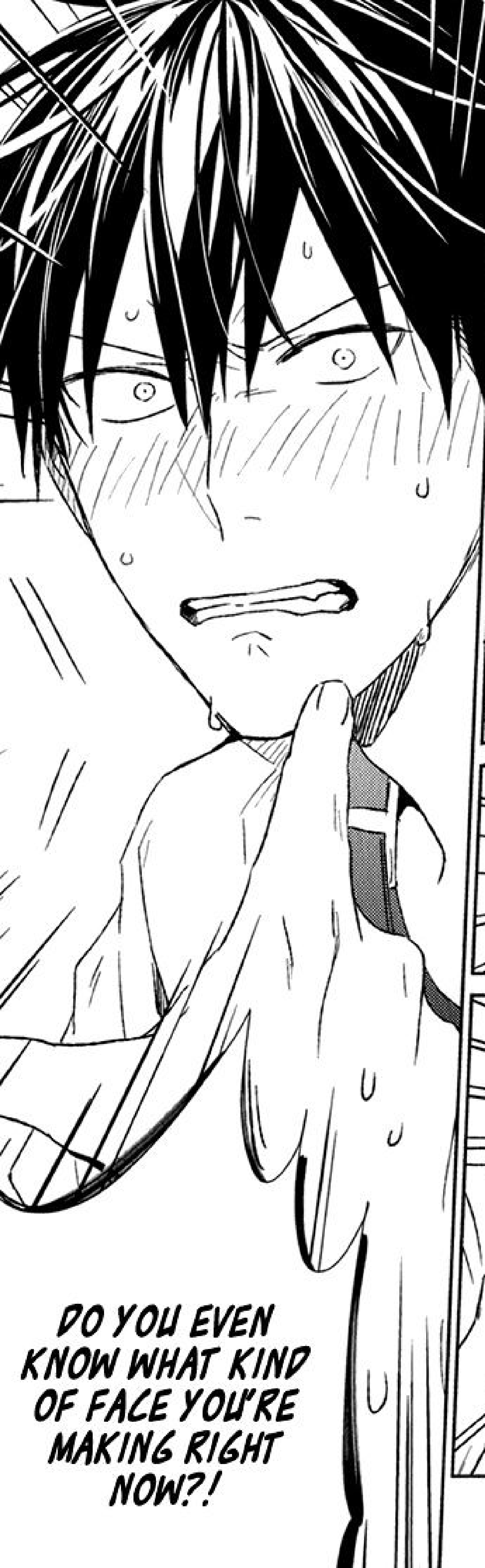


BUTU

...NN!







**DO YOU EVEN  
KNOW WHAT KIND  
OF FACE YOU'RE  
MAKING RIGHT  
NOW?!**



**AND  
HERE I...**

**I'VE ALWAYS  
THOUGHT YOU  
WERE A LATE  
BLOOMER.**

**HOLD UP.  
WHAT THE  
HECK ARE  
YOU TALKING  
ABOUT?!**



**SHOUT**

**DO YOU HAVE  
ANY BASIS AT  
ALL FOR WHAT  
YOU'RE  
SAYING?!**



**GOING ON  
ABOUT MAKING  
A MOVE ON HIM  
OR BEING LATE  
BLOOMER...**

**YOU'RE  
ASKING ME  
THAT NOW?!  
SERIOUSLY?!**

**gave**









NOT AT ALL.



WHAT'S STRANGE ABOUT THAT?



BECAUSE THE ONE YOU LIKE IS A GUY?



DO YOU MEAN SOMETHING LIKE "I'M A GUY SO MY SEXUAL PREFERENCE SHOULD BE TOWARDS GIRLS"?

IT'S OKAY. I USED TO THINK THAT BEFORE, BUT...

...









SO YOU'RE  
RESPONSIBLE  
FOR SUPPORTING  
HIM.

MAFLYU IS  
TRYING TO LIVE  
UP TO YOUR  
EXPECTATIONS  
WITH HIS  
SINGING.

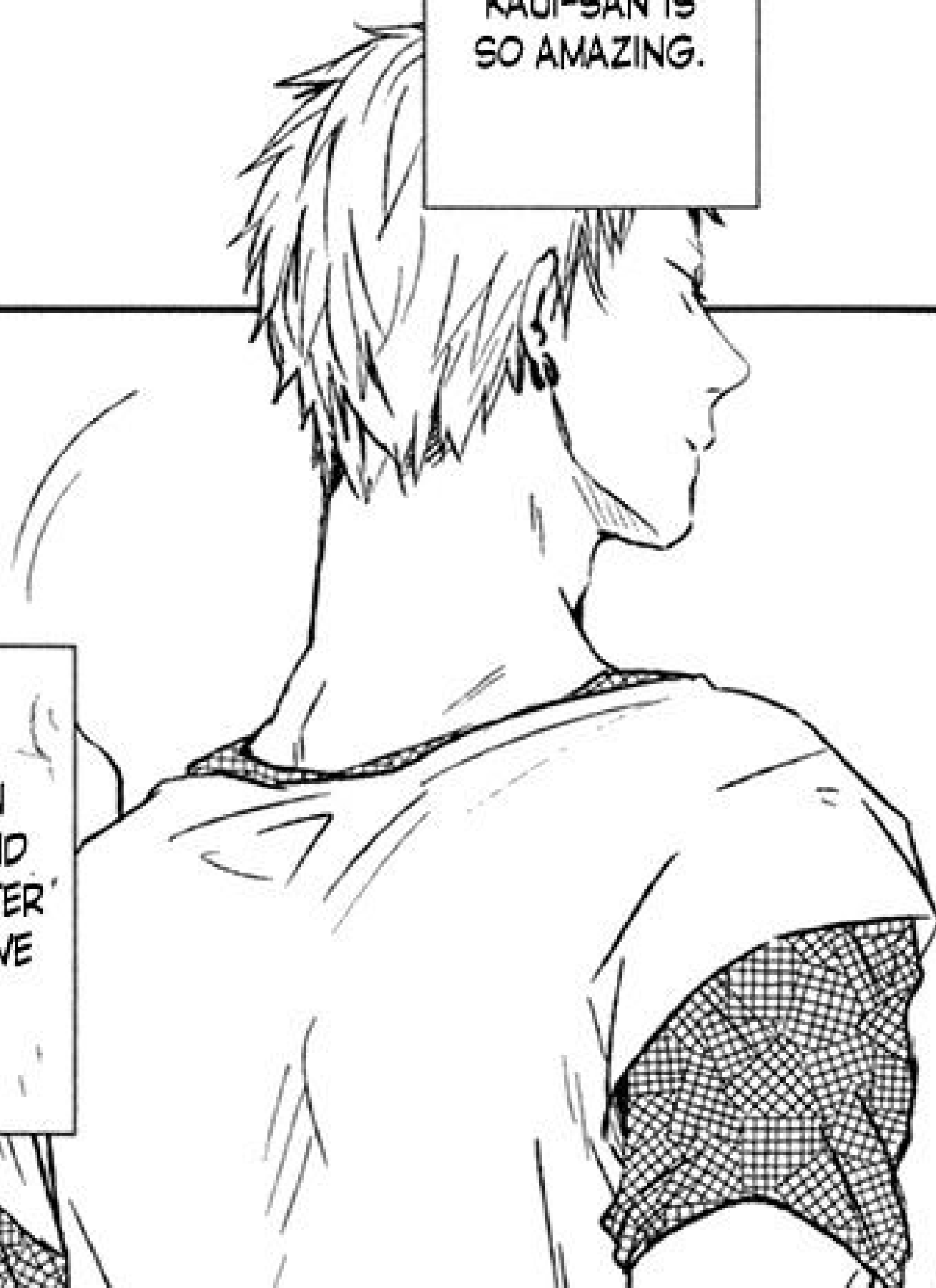
ANYWAY,



KAJI-SAN IS  
SO AMAZING.

NOW I CAN  
UNDERSTAND  
WHY MY SISTER  
IS SO IN LOVE  
WITH HIM.

HE HELPED  
ME CALM  
DOWN WITH  
JUST A  
FEW WORDS.



AS I  
THOUGHT,  
I CAN'T  
COMPREHEND  
THIS.

IS THIS  
FEELING  
SOMETHING  
I SHOULD  
ACCEPT?

KAJI-SAN  
SAID IT  
HAPPENED IN  
THE PAST...

YOU'RE  
RIDING ON MY  
MOTORBIKE,  
RIGHT?

YES!

SO THINGS  
DIDN'T  
WORK OUT,

EVEN WITH  
A GREAT GUY  
LIKE HIM?



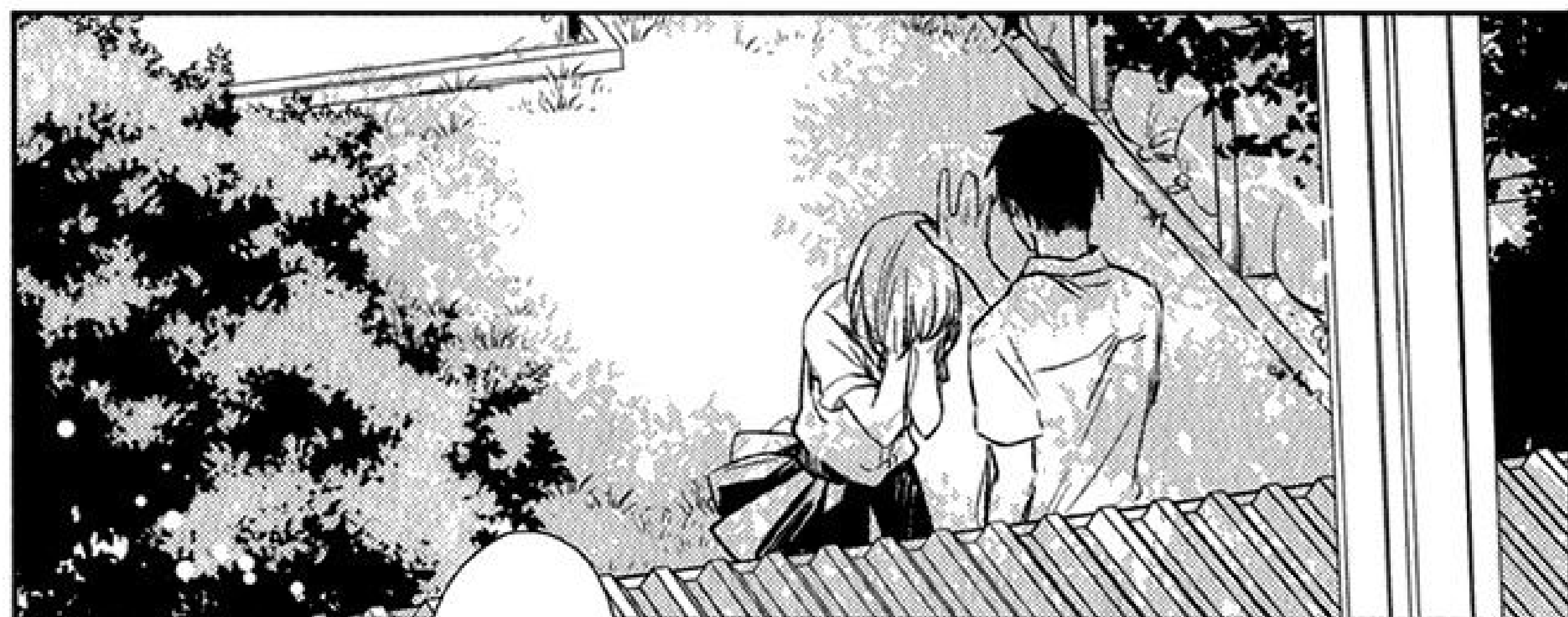
















I WONDER  
WHAT I  
REALLY WANT  
TO CONVEY  
TO THEM.



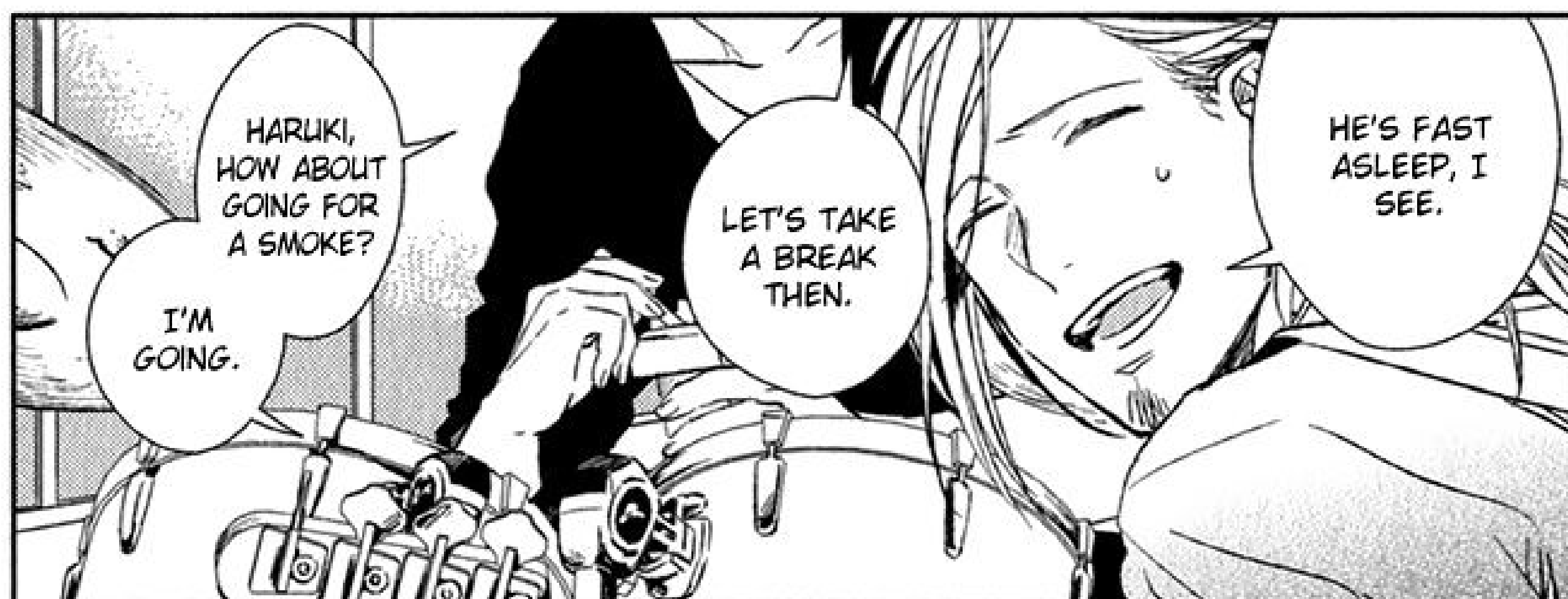


...HAS  
GOTTEN  
BETTER.

MAFUYU...

THIS GUY...

...SUDDENLY  
MADE PROGRESS  
AND IT LEFT US  
DUMBFOUNDED.







IT FEELS LIKE  
HE'S SLEEPING  
WHILE GIVING  
OFF THE IMAGE  
OF "SMALL  
AND CUTE".

small and cute!



WHICH  
REMINDS  
ME, IT'S  
THE SAME  
AS WHEN I  
FIRST MET  
HIM.



THIS  
GUY...

...IS REALLY  
GOOD AT  
SLEEPING WHILE  
HOLDING HIS  
GUITAR.



IT'S BEEN  
TWO MONTHS  
SINCE THEN.





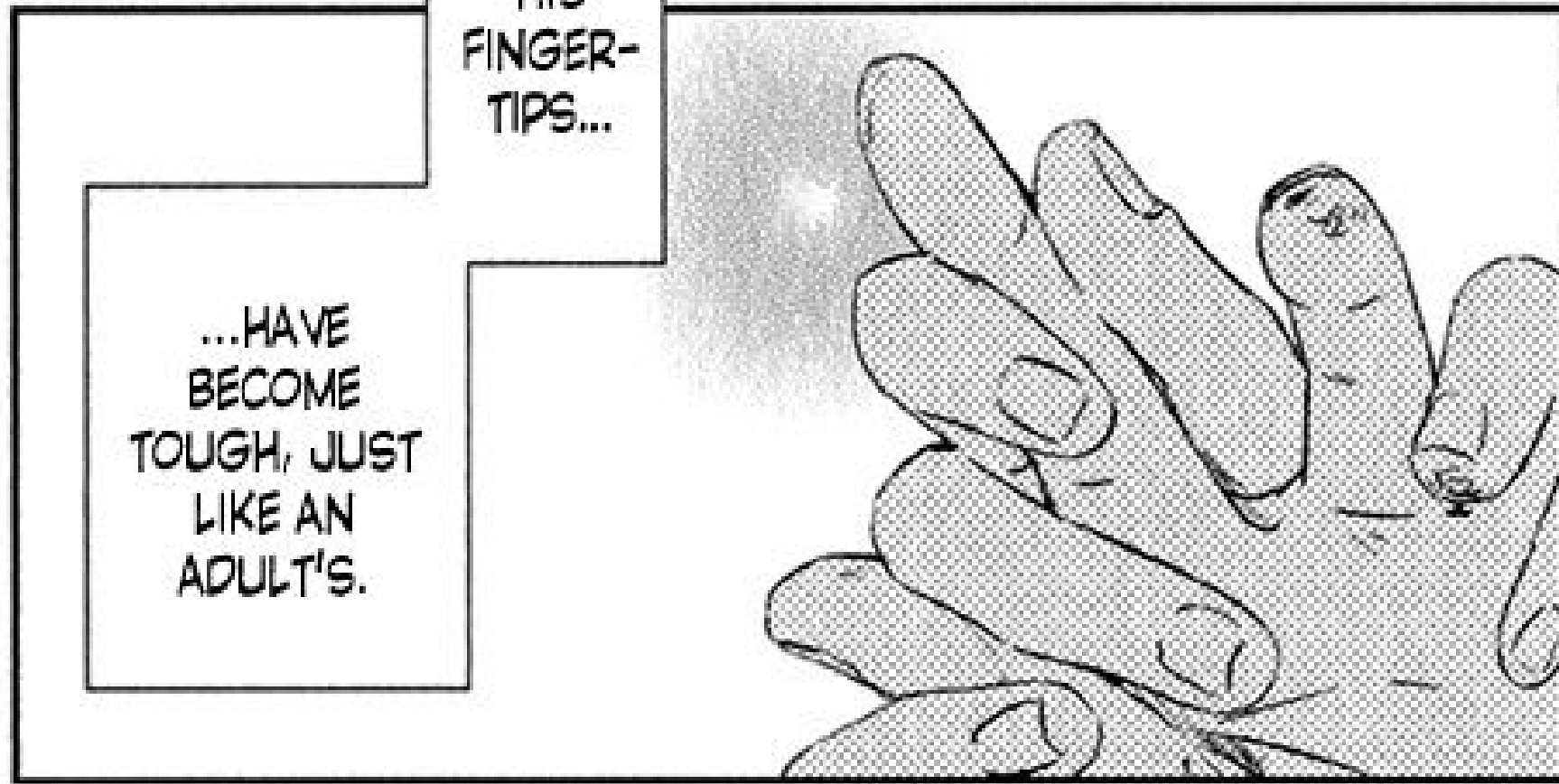






IT'S COVERED  
IN BLISTERS.

HIS  
HAND...



HIS  
FINGER-  
TIPS...

...HAVE  
BECOME  
TOUGH, JUST  
LIKE AN  
ADULT'S.



MY HANDS  
WERE ONCE  
LIKE THIS, I  
GUESS.



UM...





SO JUST  
DO YOUR  
BEST.

WE STILL  
HAVE TIME,



OKAY.

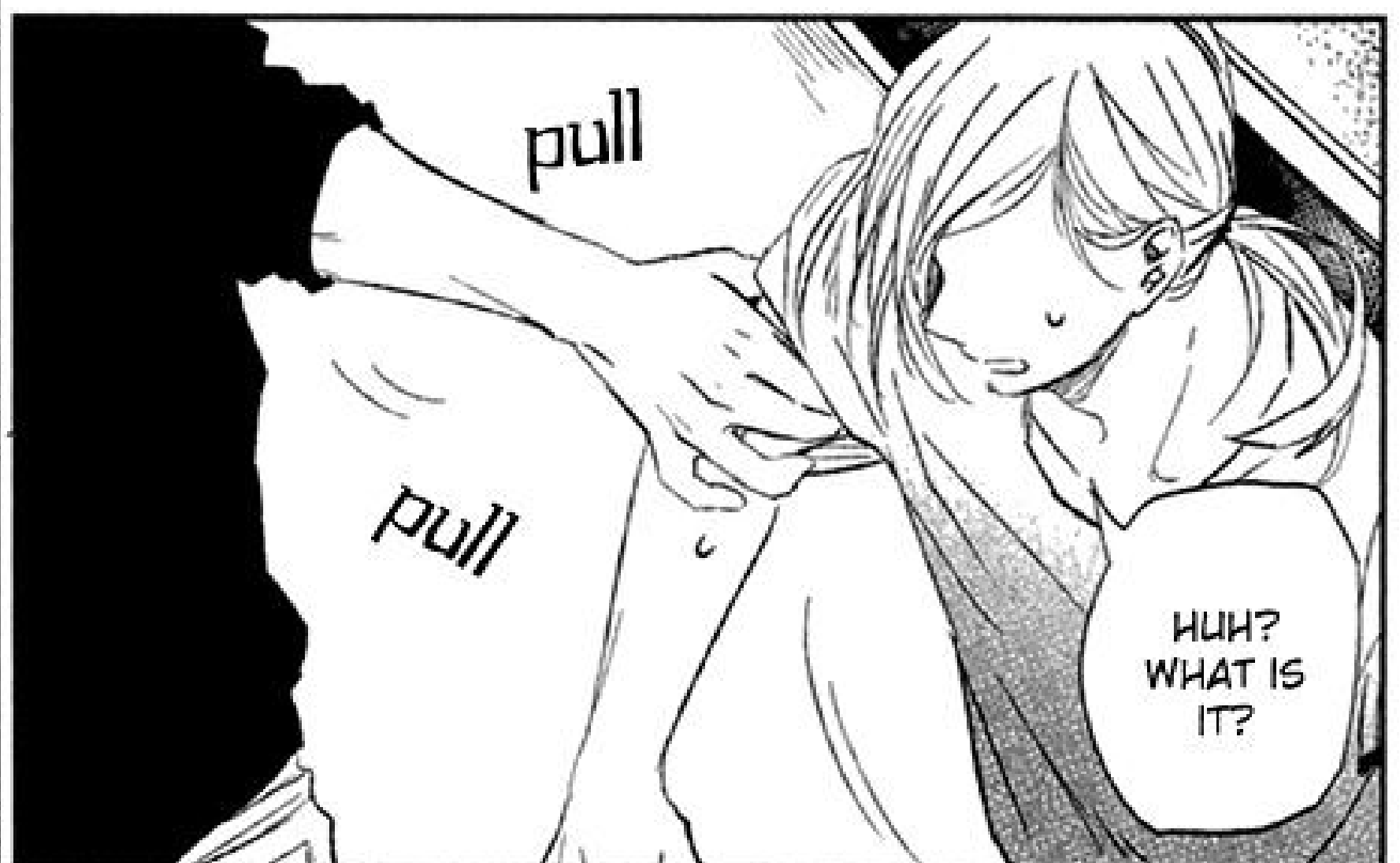
TO BE  
HONEST, I'M  
SCARED OF  
THE SONG...

...HE'S  
GOING TO  
WRITE.

I DON'T  
WANT TO SEE  
NOR HEAR IT.



I DON'T WANT  
TO LISTEN TO  
MAFUYU'S SONG  
WHEN HE'S IN LOVE  
WITH SOMEONE.





...CREATING  
A PART OF  
YOURSELF WITH  
THE SOFTEST  
AND THINNEST  
SKIN.


...LOVE  
SOMEONE...

...IS  
LIKE...

I've run  
out of  
cigarettes,  
though.




JUST A SIMPLE  
TOUCH COULD  
MAKE MY  
TEMPERATURE  
GO UP.



THEY CAN  
EASILY TEAR  
ME UP.

IF THEY  
SINK THEIR  
CLAWS IN  
A BIT,



AND IF THEY  
INTENTIONALLY  
SQUEEZE MY HAND  
TIGHTLY, THAT  
WOULD BE  
FATAL FOR ME.

UENOYAMA'S  
LOVE...

...IS A BOMB  
FILLED WITH  
THE POTENTIAL  
TO TEAR THE  
BAND APART.



Itaya Shougo  
**ITAYA SHOUGO (17)**

176cm 2nd year student  
in high school  
Birth. 5/20 Taurus Blood type: O

Soccer club FW

Likes all ball games  
(soccer, basketball, baseball, volleyball,  
tennis, hand-ball, etc.).

A music freak.





